

TELENOR GROUP Fourth quarter 2018

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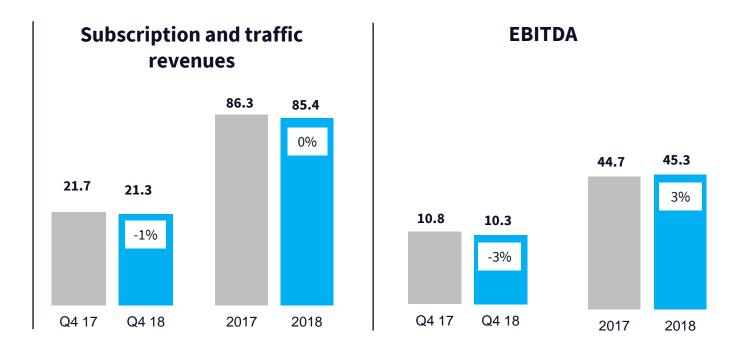
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Q4 2018

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Full year 2018

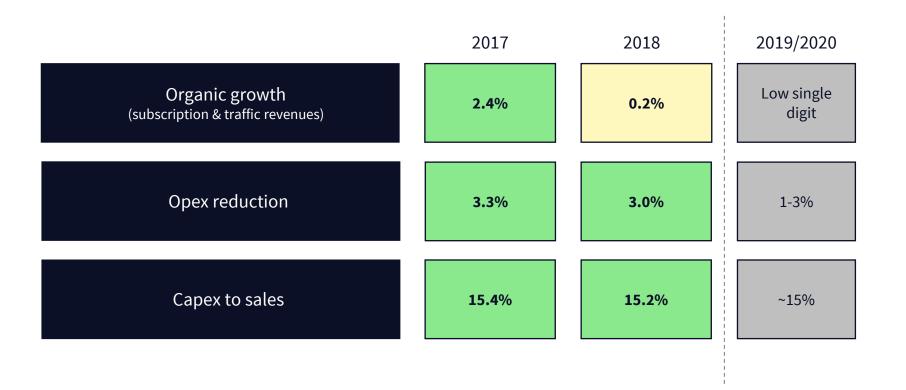
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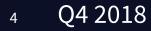
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Step by step delivering on financial ambitions towards 2020

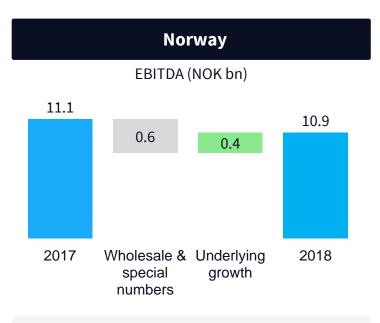


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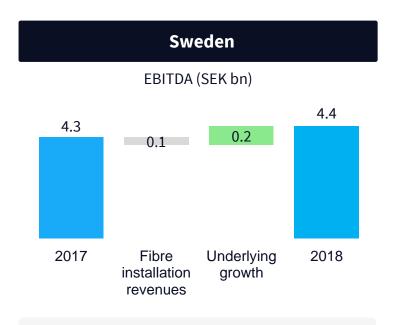




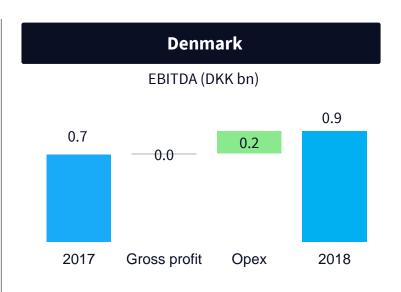
Continued robust performance in Scandinavia



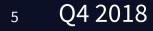
- > 3% underlying EBITDA growth in 2018
 (5% underlying opex reduction in Q4)
- Increased visibility of underlying development in 2019



- > 6% underlying EBITDA growth in 2018
- Second consecutive quarter with strong subscriber intake in both B2B and consumer.

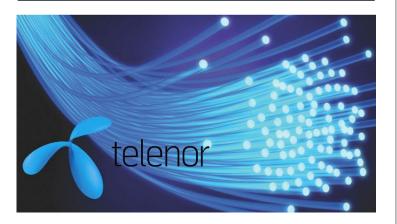


- > 27% organic EBITDA growth in 2018
- Continued strong momentum on efficiency gains, 10% opex reduction in 2018



Solid fibre momentum and continued postpaid growth in Norway

Fibre roll-out



- > 15,000 new fibre connections in Q4, strongest quarterly additions since launch
- > Total fibre subscriber base of 232,000

Postpaid subscriber growth ('000)



- Postpaid growth of 6,000 in Q4 excl. data cards
- Flexi tariffs now constituting +10% of consumer base

Mobile ARPU growth (NOK)



 > 3% ARPU growth in 2018 excl. impact from special numbers regulation and the shift in handset sales from subsidy to installments (SWAP programme)

6 Q4 2018

Stepping up the infrastructure modernisation in Norway

Decommissioning copper network within 4 years

Accelerating fibre roll-out and preparing for 5G

Replacing copper with fibre and fixed wireless solutions

decommissioning mid-2019

Roadmap for copper

7 Q4 2018

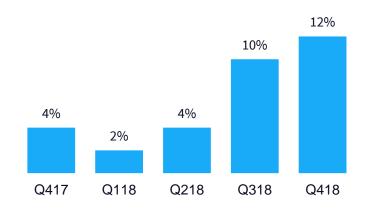
Double-digit revenue growth in Pakistan and Bangladesh, continued pressure in Myanmar

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- > 11% year on year growth in subscriptions
- > Active data users reached 51%
- EBITDA margin of 62% and 14% EBITDA growth

Pakistan

Organic subscription and traffic revenue growth

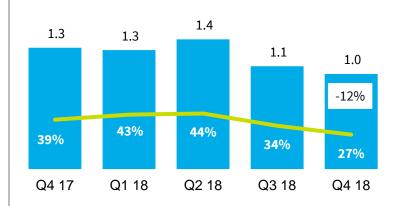


> 51% EBITDA margin and 15% EBITDA growth

> 0.6 million new subscribers in Q4

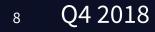
Myanmar

Subs. and traffic revenues NOK bn and EBITDA margin

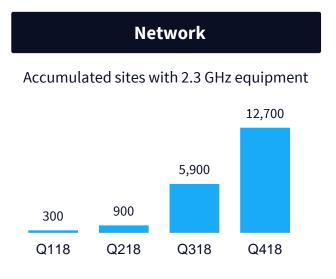


- Resilient ARPU despite new price regulation from September
- > Low customer losses in December

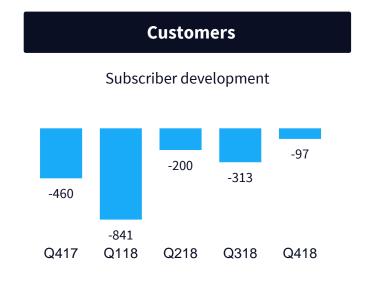
Organic growth in subscription and traffic revenues



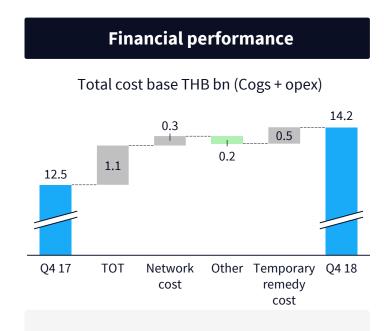
Thailand: Accelerated 2.3 GHz roll-out, continued challenging market position



- 2.3 GHz installed on 6,800 sites in Q4, reaching 12,700end of year
- Densified 2.1 GHz network with with 7,900 base stations



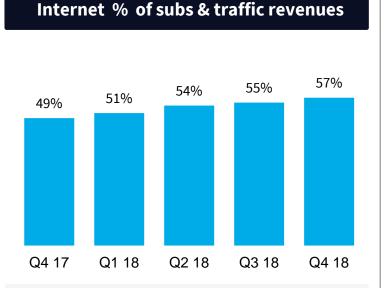
- > Lowest subscriber loss in 3 years
- ARPU remains stable as prepaid loss is offset by postpaid growth



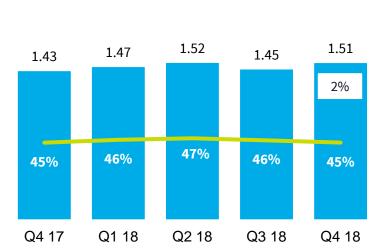
- > 5% decline in subscription & traffic revenues
- EBITDA margin of 29% excluding temporary remedy cost



Solid results and progress on digital transformation in Malaysia



- > 14% organic growth in Internet revenues
- 2% decline in subs. & traffic reveneus, driven by decline in legacy revenues



EBITDA (NOK bn) & EBITDA margin (%)

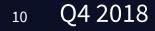
 Stable EBITDA margin and 2% organic growth in EBITDA, supported by postpaid growth and efficiency initiatives

Driving digital transformation



> 3 million active MyDigi users (+20% yoy)

 Digital distribution: Enabled mobile data management feature on Android devices



Modernising Telenor



Priorities for 2019

- > Back to growth in Thailand and Myanmar
- Strengthen positions within Internet of Things and the Business segment
- Continue to drive digital transformation, structural efficiency and further simplification
- Modernise infrastructure, including 5G readiness, and fibre roll-out in Norway







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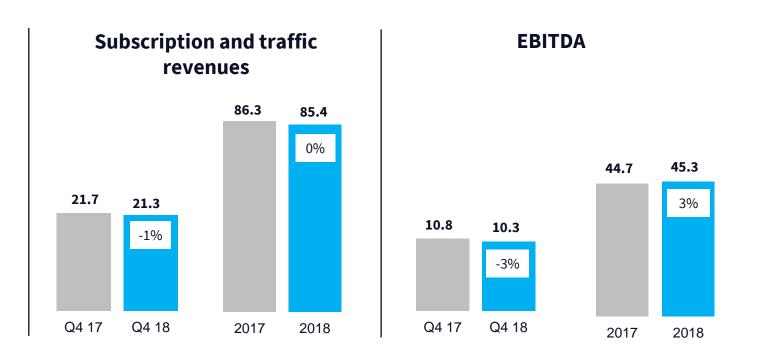
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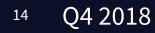
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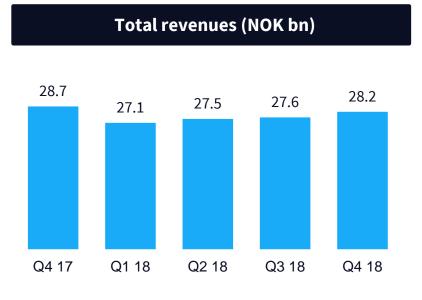
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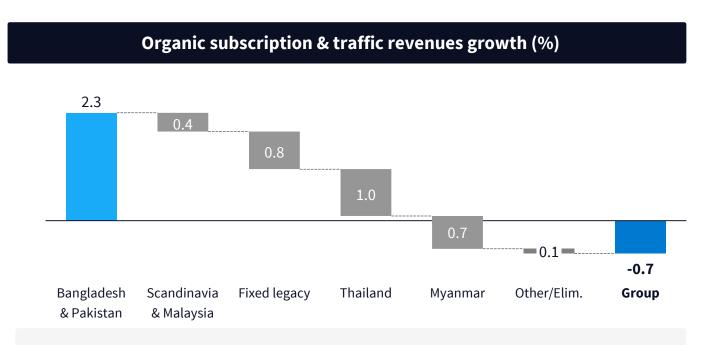


Revenues softened by Thailand, Myanmar, and fixed legacy services



> Reported revenues decreased by 2%

> FX adjusted revenues remained stable



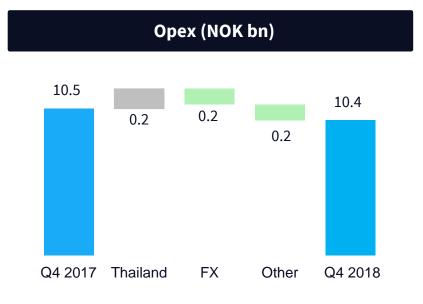
> Strong growth in Bangladesh and Pakistan

> 1% organic growth excluding Myanmar and Thailand

Organic growth rate. Subscription & traffic revenues defined as revenues from mobile subscription & traffic, fixed internet & TV, retail telephony, data services and DTH



Net opex reductions in 2018 of NOK 1.2 bn (-3%)*

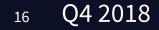


 Opex increase in Thailand primarily from temporary remedy cost



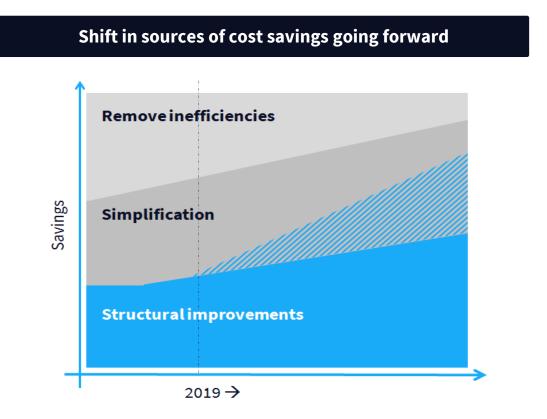
> Opex reductions within all major cost areas

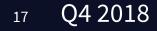
*FX adjusted



Strong opex performance in 2017 and 2018, maintaining ambitions of 1-3% yearly reductions for 2019 and 2020

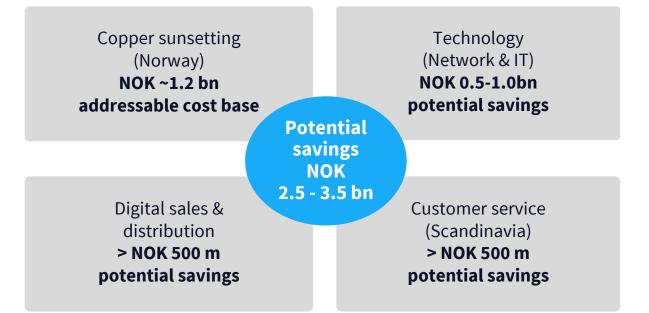
Opex reductions vs ambitions				
		Ambition	Actual	
	2017	Flat	3.3%	1
	2018	1-3%	3.0%	✓
	2019	1-3%		
	2020	1-3%		



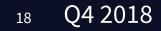


Firming up structural modernisation initiatives towards 2023

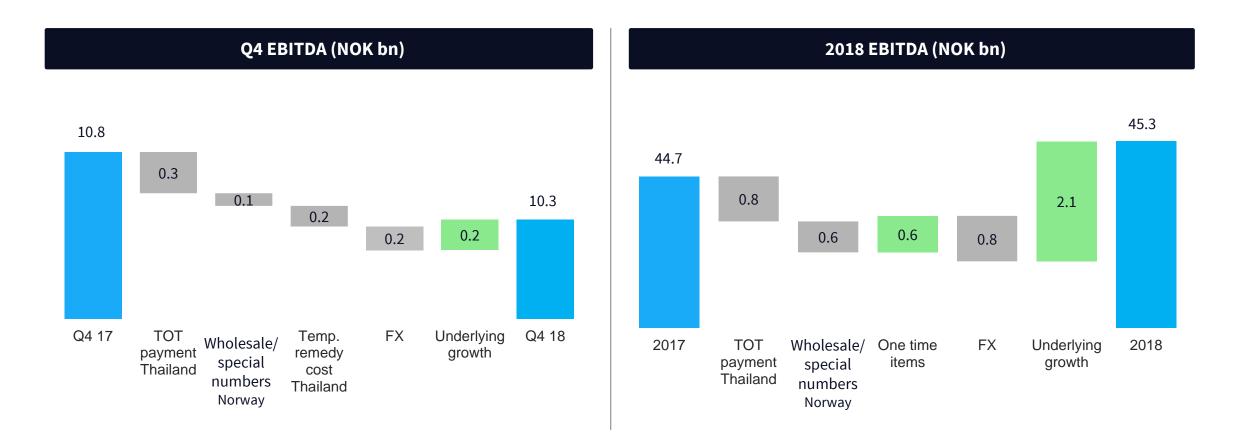
- > Around 40 initiatives identified, across all business units
- > Addressing around 50% of total opex base
- > Clear models for governance, execution and follow-up
- > Update on roadmap for copper sunsetting mid-2019
- > Reviewing tower infrastructure assets



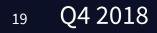
In addition, substantial savings from continuous improvements and prioritisation



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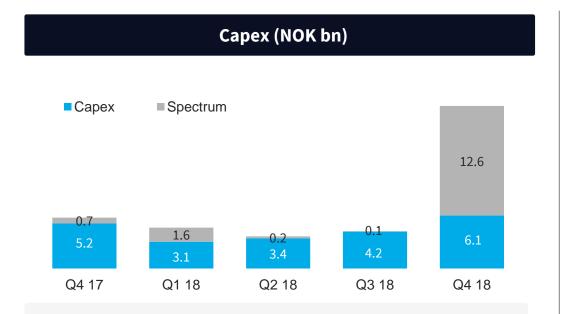


One time items 2018 vs 2017 : reversal Pakistan & Global Wholesale and remedy cost in Thailand

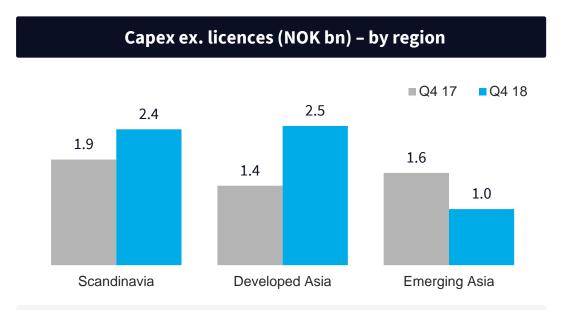




Capex driven by spectrum acquisitions and network roll-out in Thailand, and fibre in Norway



- Spectrum acquisitions in Q4 2018: 900 and 1,800 MHz in Thailand, 700 Mhz in Sweden and 900 MHz in Myanmar.
- > Full year capex to sales excluding spectrum of 15%



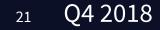
- High roll out speed on 2,300 MHz network in Thailand ended the year at 12,700 sites.
- Increased speed on fibre roll out in Norway. 15,000 new connections in Q4



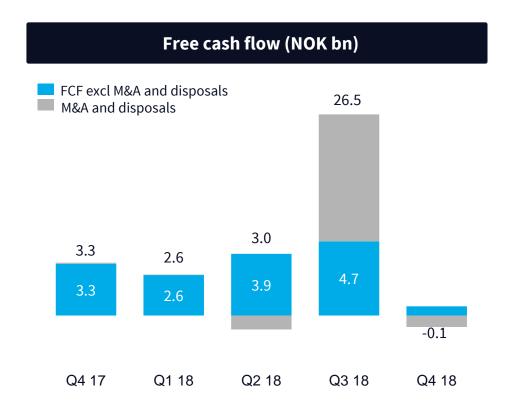
Net income of NOK 14.6 billion for 2018, EPS of NOK 9.93

NOK m	Q4 2017	Q4 2018	2017	2018	2018 (IFRS15)	Impact of IFRS 15
Revenues	28,678	28,171	112,069	110,396	110,362	-34
EBITDA before other items	10,813	10,338	44,694	45,319	45,451	+132
Other items	(371)	(2,391)	134	(3,204)	(3,204)	
EBITDA	10,442	7,946	44,828	42,115	42,247	
Depreciation & amortization	(5,636)	(4,203)	(20,454)	(20,160)	(20,160)	
Operating profit	4,806	3,743	24,374	21,955	22,088	+133
Associated companies	(20)	(101)	(4,617)	(82)	(82)	
Net financials	(1,267)	(3,115)	(152)	(3,159)	(3,153)	
Taxes	(919)	(654)	(6,491)	(6,161)	(6,179)	-18
Profit (loss) from discontinued operations	307	1,641	1,784	4,800	4,773	-27
Minorities	681	337	2,915	2,728	2,711	-17
Net income - Telenor equity holders	2,226	1,177	11,983	14,626	14,731	+105
Earnings per share (NOK)	1.49	0.81	7.99	9.93	10.00	+0.07

All figures according to accounting standard as of 31 Dec 2017 unless otherwise stated

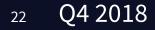


Free cash flow excluding M&A of NOK 12 bn in 2018



NOK bn	Q4 2017	Q4 2018	2017	2018
EBITDA	10.8	10.4	44.7	45.5
Discontinued operations	1.0	-	4.3	2.4
Taxes	-2.4	-1.4	-6.1	-6.6
Net interest paid	-0.7	-0.3	-2.5	-1.5
Сарех	-4.7	-5.3	-19.4	-16.8
Spectrum	-0.6	-2.1	-2.1	-4.9
M&A & disposals	0.1	-0.7	8.5	20.3
Dividends to minorities	-0.4	-0.4	-2.6	-3.1
Working cap.& other	0.1	-0.3	0.1	-3.4
Free cash flow	3.3	-0.1	24.9	32.0

Free cash flow to equity holders of Telenor ASA EBITDA before other income and expenses





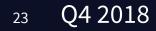


Outlook for 2019

	2019	2018	
Organic growth in subscription & traffic revenues	0-2%	0.9%	Excluding Thailand
Organic EBITDA growth	1-3%	5.5%	Excluding Thailand
Capex excl. licences (NOK bn)	16-17 bn	16.8 bn	Including Thailand

In Thailand, dtac aims to get back to growth in 2019, and will provide an updated outlook in Q2

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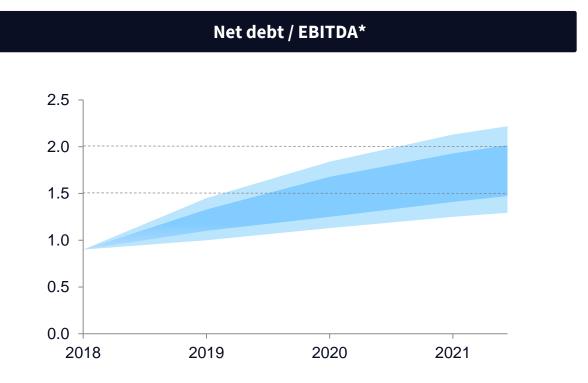




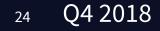
Introducing a leverage target of 1.5-2.0x net debt / EBITDA

Optimising capital structure

- > Replacing existing 2.0x cap with new leverage target interval of 1.5-2.0x net debt / EBITDA*
- Balancing cost of capital, access to funding, and strategic flexibility
- Additional distribution through buybacks and/or special dividends, if deemed appropriate to reach target
- > Transforming target to IFRS 16 during 2019



*) 12 months rolling EBITDA. Net debt excl. licence commitments



Proposing to distribute NOK 19 bn to shareholders in 2019

4% growth in ordinary dividend

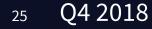
- Proposing a dividend of NOK 8.40 per share for FY 2018, for approval by AGM
- First tranche of NOK 4.40 in May, second tranche of NOK 4.00 in October
- Dividend yield of 5%, total payout of around NOK 12 billion

3% share buyback programme

- Plan to ask the AGM for a new buyback mandate
- > 3% of shares, equal to a total distribution of around NOK 7 billion
- Supporting the path towards the new leverage target

Total remuneration (NOK bn)





Priorities for 2019

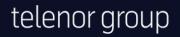
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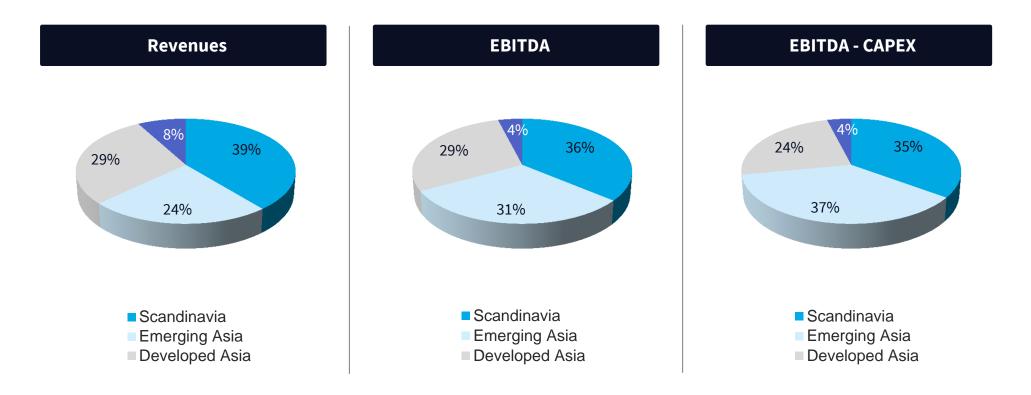


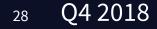
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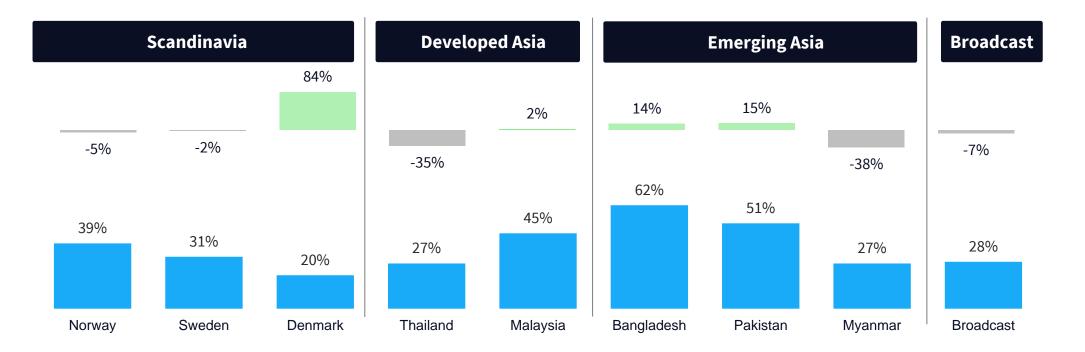
Geographic split of key financials in 2018



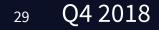




Organic EBITDA growth

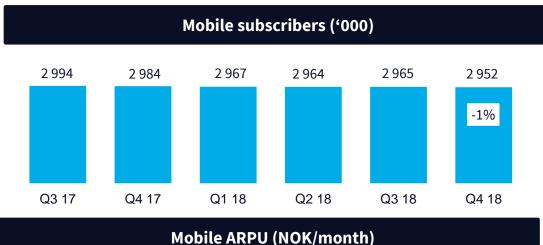


Organic EBITDA growth (Q4 18 vs Q4 17)EBITDA margin (Q4 18)





Norway

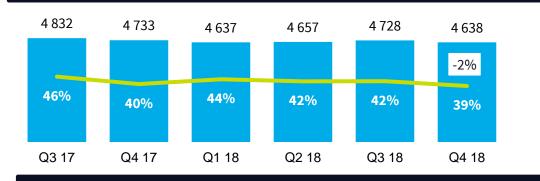


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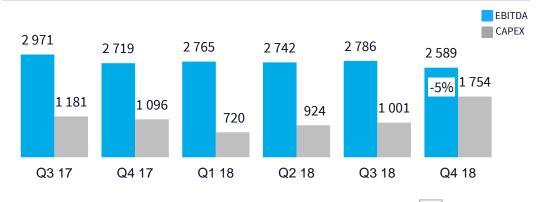


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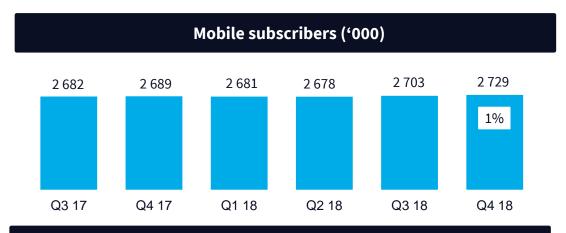
Subs and traffic revenues (NOK m) and EBITDA margin



EBITDA and capex (NOK m)



Sweden



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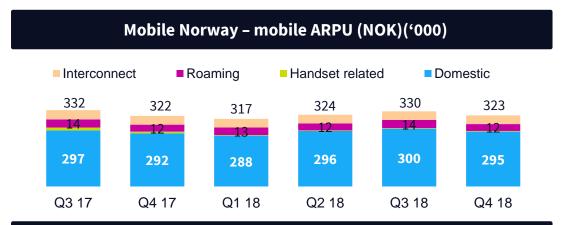


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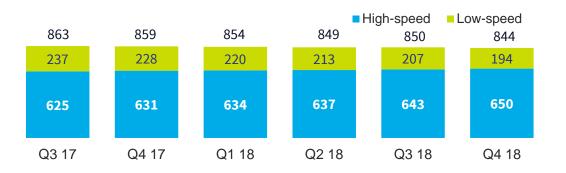


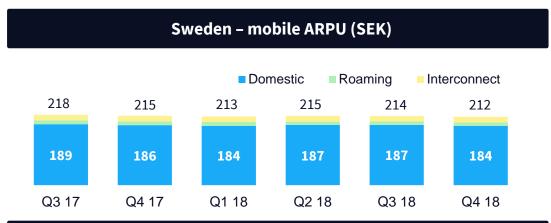
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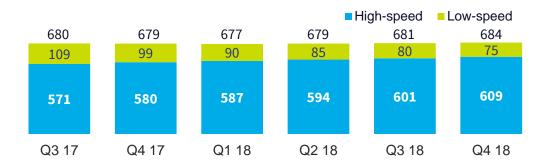


Norway – fixed broadband subscribers ('000)

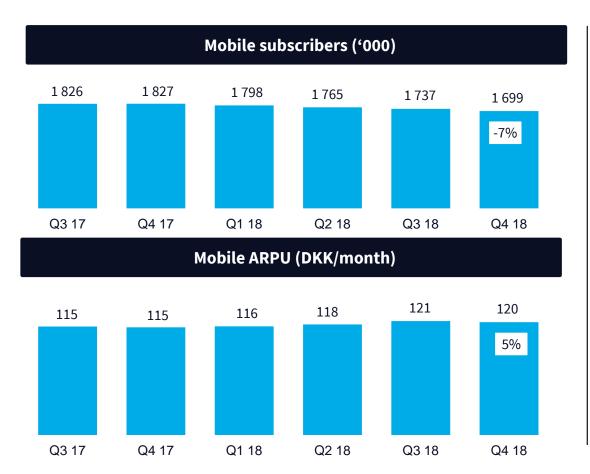




Sweden - fixed broadband subscribers ('000)



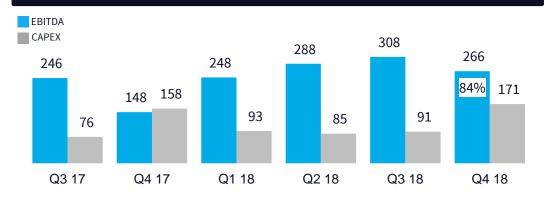
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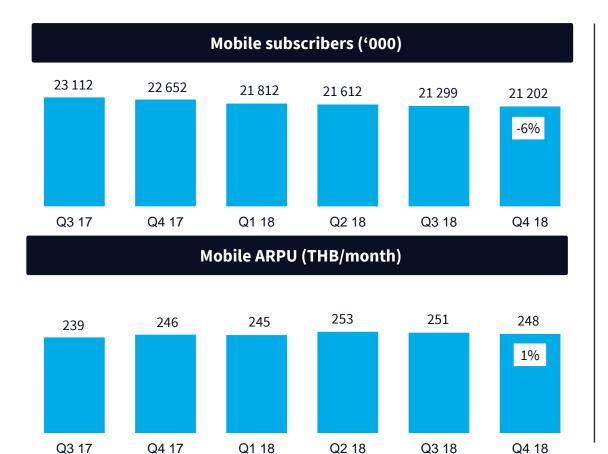
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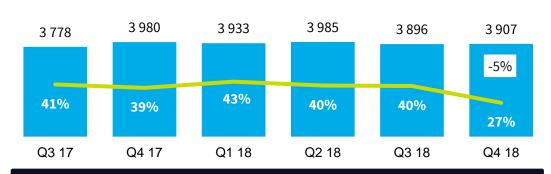


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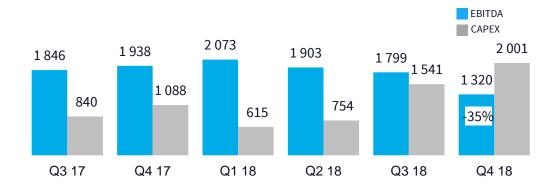


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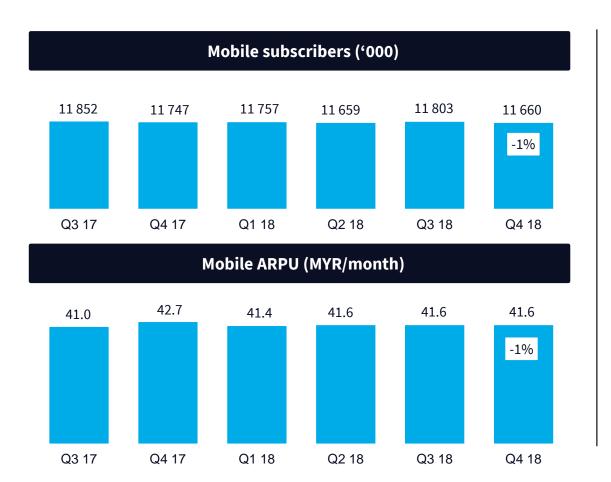
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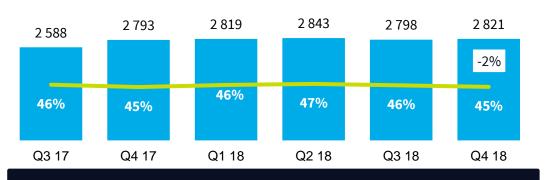


Malaysia (Digi)



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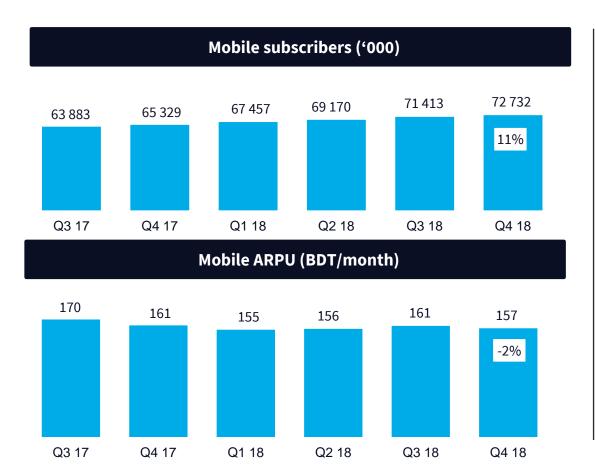
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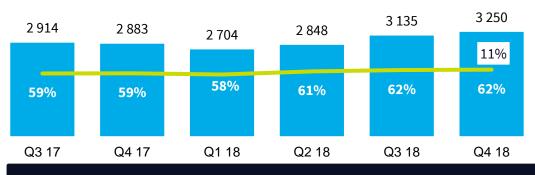


Bangladesh (Grameenphone)



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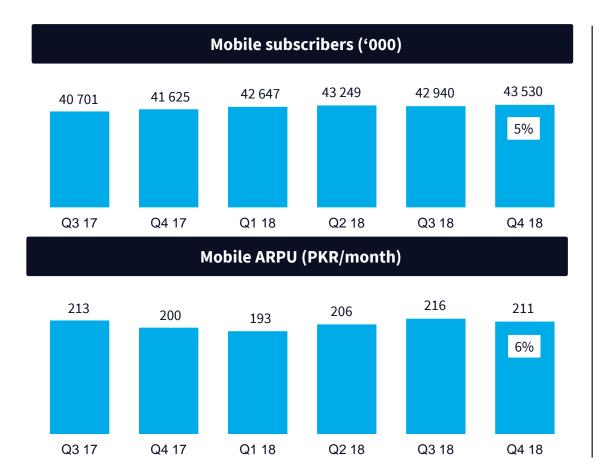
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EBITDA and capex (NOK m)



Pakistan

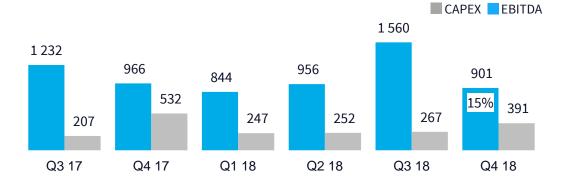


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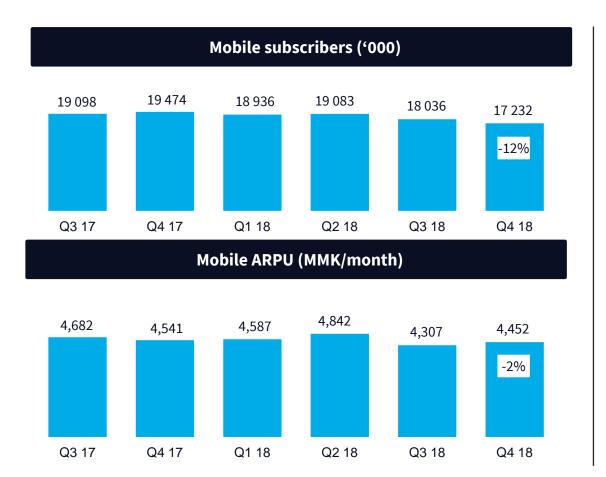
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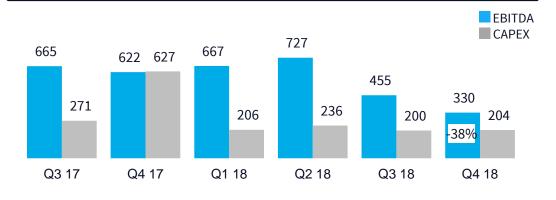
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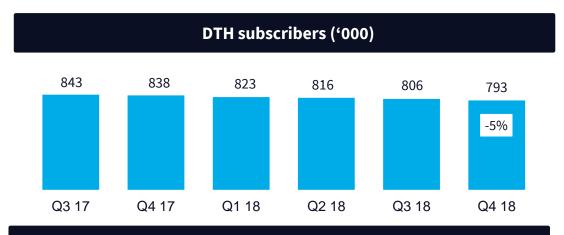
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EBITDA and capex (NOK m)



Broadcast



DTH ARPU (NOK/month)

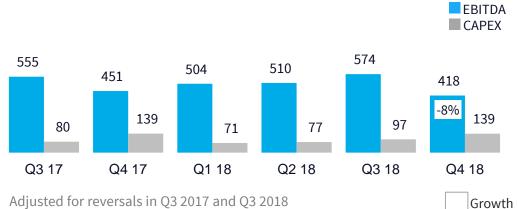


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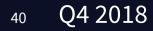


Adjusted for reversals in Q3 2017 and Q3 2018

Q4 changes in revenues and EBITDA

	Subscription & tra	Subscription & traffic revenues		
	Reported	Organic	Reported	Organic
Norway	-2.0 %	-2.0 %	-4.8 %	-4.8 %
Sweden	-7.0 %	-2.2 %	-6.9 %	-2.1 %
Denmark	1.0 %	-0.8 %	80.3 %	84.0 %
Thailand	-1.8 %	-5.4 %	-31.9 %	-35.1 %
Malaysia	1.0 %	-2.0 %	5.5 %	2.3 %
Bangladesh	12.7 %	11.3 %	15.4 %	13.9 %
Pakistan	-8.1 %	12.0 %	-6.7 %	14.7 %
Myanmar	-21.7 %	-11.3 %	-47.0 %	-38.0 %
Broadcast*	-5.7 %	-4.0 %	-7.5 %	-7.0 %
Telenor Group	-2.1 %	-0.7 %	-4.4 %	-2.9 %

*Revenues from Canal Digital DTH



Debt maturity profile (NOK bn)

Net debt in partly-owned subsidiaries:

NOK bn	Q4 2018	Q4 2017
Digi	4.8	4.3
dtac	18.6	5.9
Grameenphone	1.3	0.7



VEON exch. bond Subsidiaries

Telenor ASA



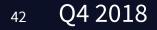
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Balance sheet and key ratios

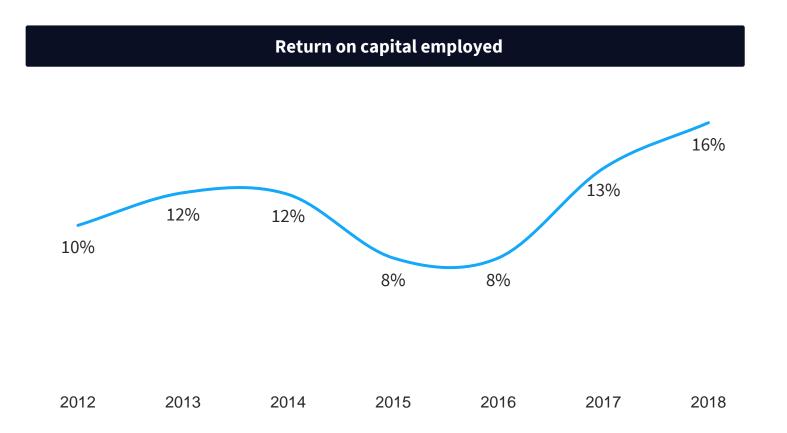
	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2017
Total assets	191.3	201.8
Equity attributable to Telenor ASA shareholders	49.4	57.5
Gross debt*	71.7	74.3
Net debt	39.5	46.9
Net debt/EBITDA	0.9	1.0
Return on capital employed**	16%	13%

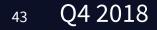
*) Gross debt = current interest bearing liabilities + non-current interest bearing liabilities

**) Calculated based on an after tax basis of the last twelve months return on average capital employed



Return on capital employed







Net debt reconciliation

NOK bn	Q4 2018	Q4 2017
Current interest bearing liabilities	15.7	22.7
Non-current interest bearing liabilities	55.9	51.6
Licence obligations	(11.8)	(2.3)
Debt excluding licence obligations	59.8	72.0
Cash and cash equivalents	(18.5)	(22.5)
Investments in bonds and commercial papers	(0.4)	(0.8)
Fair value hedge instruments	(1.5)	(1.8)
Net interest bearing debt excl. licence obligations	39.5	46.9



